CLAIMS

1. A method of communicating between a computer and a digital printer having a network address associated therewith, comprising:

attempting communication to the network address, sequentially using each of a plurality of port numbers; and

if none of the plurality of port numbers is successful in initiating communication to the network address, attempting communication to the network address using an LPR port number, sequentially using each of a plurality of LPR queue names.

2. The method of claim 1, further comprising

determining the network address of the digital printer.

3. The method of claim 2, the determining step including entering the network address of the digital printer.

4. The method of claim 2, the determining step including discovering the network address of the digital printer.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein the LPR port number is 515.

6. The method of claim 1, further comprising

if the LPR port number is unsuccessful in initiating communication to the network address, displaying an error message.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein the computer includes a digital camera.

8. A computer suitable for communicating with a digital printer having a network address associated therewith, comprising:

means for attempting communication to the network address, sequentially using each of a plurality of port numbers; and

means for attempting communication to the network address using an LPR port number, sequentially using each of a plurality of LPR queue names.

9. The computer of claim 8, further comprising

means for invoking the means for attempting communication to the network address using an LPR port number if none of the plurality of port numbers is successful in initiating communication to the network address.

10. The computer of claim 8, further comprising

means for determining the network address of the digital printer.

11. The computer of claim 8, the determining means including means for entering the network address of the digital printer.

12. The computer of claim 8, the determining means including means for discovering the network address of the digital printer.

13. The computer of claim 8, further comprising a digital camera.